



Army shake-up follows Egypt coup attempt

Norwegians fire at mystery submarine

Ham operator picks up report of mutiny

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Israel to Cairo: Syrian shelling unprovoked

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — Syrian artillery bombarded Israeli positions on the Golan Heights yesterday in what intelligence Chief Tal Aluz Zeira called "a provocation aimed at increasing Israel-Syria tension."

Tal Aluz Zeira said this at a meeting held at his request here last night with the deputy head of the U.N. Cease-Fire Observers Corps.

The meeting followed the half-hour bombardment on the Golan and a clash with terrorists early Friday on the Lebanese border in which one Israeli soldier was wounded.

In an unprecedented move, Tal Aluz Zeira asked Col. Benveniste to inform the Egyptians that yesterday afternoon's Syrian bombardment was entirely unprovoked by Israel, lest Egypt err by letting itself be drawn into the Syrian provocation.

He said there had been no Israeli military activity of any kind on the Golan prior to the bombardment. The Syrian bombardment, which started at midday yesterday, lasted about half-an-hour. No one was wounded and there was no damage in what the spokesman described as a light barrage.

The clash with terrorists in which an Israeli soldier was wounded took place in the Nafal Hizbani area shortly after midnight Thursday. In contrast to earlier practice, the fact that the clash occurred over a kilometre inside Lebanon, in Fatabland, was published.

It was the first incident reported on this border since the air strikes against terrorist encampments in Lebanon on October 15. Terrorist sources in Beirut said that two men were killed and six wounded when an Israeli unit, supported by helicopters, attacked a camp at Khrabeh, in the Mt. Hermon foothills.

The Lebanese army issued a brief communique saying that its forces had intercepted an Israeli raiding unit and "forced it to withdraw in a helicopter."

Kissinger flies to U.S. Vietnam peace talks suspended for 9 days



North Vietnam Politburo member Le Duc Tho (right) and Kuan Thuy (left), head of the Hanoi peace talks delegation, leave the Paris suburb house yesterday after talks were suspended until December 4. (AP radiophoto)

PARIS (AP). — White House envoy Henry Kissinger and Hanoi's Le Duc Tho yesterday abruptly suspended their secret peace talks until December 4, apparently to seek new instructions from their governments.

Kissinger last night flew to New York to report to President Nixon during what the President had intended to be a private family weekend. A White House statement said he would meet Mr. Nixon immediately on his arrival.

The North Vietnamese delegation said Tho would remain in Paris to await the resumption of the secret talks in eight days' time. A delegation spokesman said Kissinger had suggested the break.

The unexpected interruption in the six-day-old session came less than 24 hours after a report in "The Washington Post" said the talks were deadlocked by an American attempt to back out of a peace agreement drafted last month.

Kissinger and Tho, accompanied by their top aides, met for two hours in Tho's residence just outside Paris yesterday. Both sides kept up their agreed news blackout on details of the negotiations and refused to comment on the "Post" report.

But the official Hanoi newspaper "Nhan Dan" sharply attacked the Nixon administration yesterday for creating "all the difficulties and troubles in the path to ending the war."

Nixon's press secretary Ronald Ziegler and French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann cautioned against reports that the talks have run into serious difficulties.

Ziegler deflected newsmen's questions on whether the talks had hit serious snags. "I would like to focus you on the fact that six days of talks have been held and both sides negotiated seriously," he said.

In Washington, administration sources acknowledged that Kissinger and Tho were unable to agree on some important issues, but insisted the talks had not broken down.

The sources said the latest series of meetings had been filled with tough bargaining and they cautioned against taking an unduly pessimistic view.

But there was no official explanation for the circumstances leading to the abrupt nine-day suspension. When Kissinger landed in Paris on November 19, he told newsmen Nixon had instructed him to remain in Paris for "as long as is useful."

"The President has sent me here for what he hopes will be the final phase of negotiations to end the war in Indochina," Kissinger said then.

BEIRUT (UPI). — Egyptian President Sadat has launched a sweeping shake-up of senior command posts in the armed forces, including outright dismissals and transfers, following the discovery of a planned coup about two weeks ago, according to Arab diplomatic sources.

Primary targets of the shake-up were the Air Force and the First Army, to which most of the plotters are believed to belong, the sources said.

Although reports of a crackdown have been coming out of Egypt for the past couple of weeks, it now appears that its scope is larger than at first appeared.

The number of Egyptian officers arrested two weeks ago is now reported to have been over 100. The arrested officers included at least three generals, the sources said.

The three arrested generals included Maj. Gen. Mustafa Mehrez, who was reported to be sacked as military intelligence chief immediately after the plot was thwarted, and Maj. Gen. Ali Abdel Khabir, a former commander of the Central Zone, the sources said.

They did not name the third general, but said he was high up in the Air Force.

The First Army is based in the Central Zone which covers Cairo and its outskirts. The Second and Third Armies are stationed in the Suez Canal area.

First reports of the plot said 25 to 40 officers, mostly of the middle ranks of colonel and lieutenant colonel, were rounded up on November 11, four or five days before the hour they had set for action.

The reports said the plotters planned to arrest Sadat and his top aides, including Premier Aziz Sidky, and install former war minister Gen. Mohammed Ahmed Sadak as head of state.

Reuters reported from Cairo yesterday that an Egyptian government official had denied that President Sadat had sacked his military intelligence chief, General Mustafa Mehrez, in the army shakeup.

The official also denied Beirut reports that 110 officers had been arrested in the shakeup.

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Mr. Arthur, who monitored the report at his home in Plympton, southwest England, said he had been interviewed by British Ministry of Defence officials. "They were quite interested and said they would be following it up," said Mr. Arthur.

The broadcast said the Soviet submarine radiated for help after the mutiny and another submarine rendezvoused with it in the fjord. The mutineers were then transferred to the other submarine.

According to the report both submarines were now out of the fjord. The radio said its information came from Moscow sources.

FLARES SIGHTED
Mr. Arthur, who has a sophisticated monitoring station in his home, said the rendezvous of the two submarines could explain reports that flares had been sighted in the fjord.

"Submarines do use flares to rendezvous," he said.

Arthur added: "It seems certain the vessel was armed with nuclear missiles because the broadcast made a great fuss about the threat to European security in having a mutiny aboard such a vessel."

A local newspaper, "Sunnmoerposten," reported yesterday that oil-slicks were observed in the outer part of the Sognefjord after depth charges had been fired on Friday.

The slicks were seen by the skipper of a local ferry who reported them to the military authorities, the paper said.

Gunboats later went to the area to take samples of the slicks for analysis to establish whether they could come from a submarine, the paper said.

"The official Soviet news agency, Tass, Friday disparaged the search for the 'mythical' submarine as merely a Western attempt to disrupt European relations."

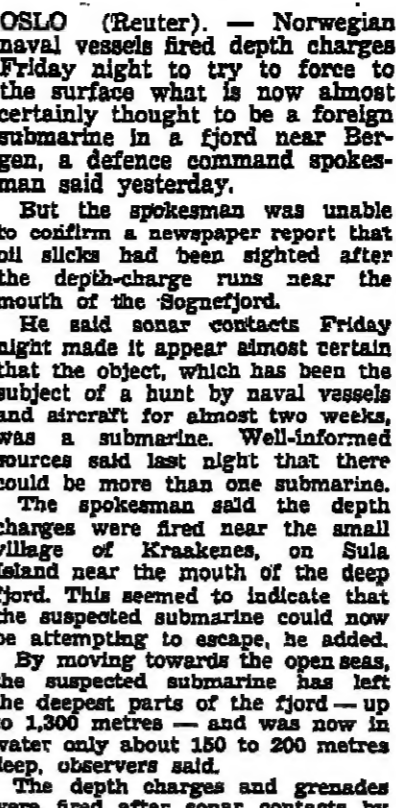
The search accelerated November 14, two days after Mrs. Karen Leirna, the wife of a local sheriff at Luster, reported to the maritime observation centre.

"From my window I saw a dark, round, moving and rotating tower making big waves just as it was disappearing in the calm water near a small island not far from our house."

In Marseilles science fiction writer Kimmy Gutel said yesterday the object ship and aircraft are hunting in the fjord is a submersible flying saucer.

"It is not a submarine," he said. "It is a space machine which, according to UFOlogists, who understand about unidentified flying objects call a submersible flying saucer."

"I have been vacating all secrets for this explanation to be given but in vain."



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Israel warns against extreme moves at U.N.

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Israel has cautioned governments abroad against the adoption of any extreme decisions at this week's U.N. General Assembly Middle East debate.

Israel diplomats in world capitals are trying to avert any one-sided, Arab-initiated, move at the U.N., which they say could only be harmful.

In particular, they have warned against any amending of the 1967 Security Council Resolution 242, pointing out that this was the sole formula which had been accepted by all the parties.

A change in the resolution could well prompt Israel to withdraw its endorsement of the resolution, it was said.

Heavy rainfall in J'lem, Golan

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Substantial amounts of rain fell in parts of the country over the weekend, especially in Hebron, Jerusalem and the Golan.

The weatherman said that the rain was heaviest in Hebron, where 28.6mm. was reported. In the capital, 23mm. fell and in the Golan 20.8mm.

Tel Aviv got only 1 mm. of rain. The rains caused damage to the Beit-Saamir e-Shaikh road, which was closed on Friday but reopened yesterday afternoon. The Sdom-Bin Gedl road and the Mitpe Rimmon-Bitl road were also reported closed last night because of the rain.

However, farmers were disappointed at the rainfall, and in Western Galilee they said they may have to irrigate the field crops and orchards at great expense unless they soon get the required 50 to 60 mm. of rain.

The weatherman's forecast for today is partly cloudy with isolated showers.

Nixon takes walk, predicts Mid-East peace

NEW YORK (AP). — President Nixon went for a stroll amongst the Christmas shoppers here yesterday, and stopped to chat with an Israeli and an Egyptian student.

He told the Israeli, 21-year-old Moshe Harel of Tel Aviv, and the Egyptian, Imad el-Samawany, 23, of Cairo, that he was hopeful that peace in the Middle East would be achieved "in your generation. That's our goal."

Suspected IRA chief gets 6 months jail

DUBLIN (Reuters). — Sean MacStiofain was jailed for six months as a member of the Irish Republican Army last night and shrieked at his judges, "I will see you damned in hell before I submit. I shall be dead in six days. Live with that."

MacStiofain, 44, reputed chief of staff of the Provisional Wing of the I.R.A. collapsed in a semi-torture onto a court bench after making his final protest. (Earlier story, page 4)

Biggest manoeuvres in Sinai

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The largest manoeuvres ever held by the Army took place in southern Sinai last week. Several task forces took part in the combined operation over an area equal to the whole of the Negev, the Army spokesman said.

Hundreds of paratroopers landed from helicopters near a target which was already engaged in mock battle by planes, tanks and mechanized infantry. The navy landed troops from the sea and evacuated prisoners and wounded under fire.

The paratroopers, however, took the brunt of the effort involved. They made a 15-kilometre march through an extremely difficult hilly region carrying equipment and supplies to hold them until supplies were dropped from the air many hours later.

TV negotiations deadlocked

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TV's Friday night News Magazine and the late news on both Friday and last night were cancelled and other programmes rescheduled as news and production workers continued their sanctions over the weekend.

Negotiations with the Broadcasting Authority were at a deadlock, a workers' committee spokesman said last night. A tentative agreement reached between some of the workers' council members and the Authority was twice voted down by the workers' council as a whole at the end of last week. No negotiations were held yesterday.

The workers are refusing to work overtime until the Authority grants the production workers' journalists' grades. This means that they stop work each night at 10 p.m., and on Friday at 8 p.m.

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Settlers want 'full fledged city'

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy. Weather synopsis: The barometric low in the upper layers, which caused rain in our region, is moving eastward.

Locality	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Jerusalem	10-18	12-20
Be'er Sheva	15-25	18-28
Nahariya	15-25	18-28
Haifa	15-25	18-28
Tiberias	15-25	18-28
Nazareth	15-25	18-28
Alula	15-25	18-28
Shimonon	15-25	18-28
Tel Aviv	15-25	18-28
Lev	15-25	18-28
Jericho	15-25	18-28
Gaza	15-25	18-28
Beersheba	15-25	18-28
Eilat	15-25	18-28
Tiran	15-25	18-28

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tora scroll allegedly desecrated at the Machpela Cave last week was not deliberately damaged, police reported Friday.

The Jewish settlers at Kiryat Arba adjoining Hebron had reported last Thursday finding the scroll torn. They also produced the remains of two torn copies of the Psalms which had been scattered on the street outside the Cave.

Police investigators found that the rip in the seam of the scroll which had been believed to be deliberate desecration was similar to gaps found in other parts of the scroll.

or expulsion of Moslems from it. The settlers limited their demands — for the present — to certain minor adjustments such as longer prayer hours and more benches, he said.

Another settlement leader quoted from Christian, Moslem and Jewish sources which offered evidence that Jews had prayed in the Machpela in earlier centuries, even under Moslem rule.

Goren seeks stricter 'who's a Jew' law

Jerusalem Post Staff

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has confirmed reports that he intends to initiate "non-partisan" Knesset action to amend the "Who's a Jew" clause in the Law of the Return. The clause, which defines a Jew as a *ger* — a person who has converted to Judaism, would have three words added to it: "according to halacha."

Goren ruling or approved it as legally correct.

Rabbi Yosef writes that newspaper reports that he had welcomed the news of the Goren ruling were untrue. He had not seen the judgment and had no knowledge of the reasoning behind it.

This means that Reform and at least some Conservative conversions would not be recognized.

In an interview with "Davar" editor Hanna Zemer, published on Friday, Rabbi Goren said the question of *halacha* and conversions should be removed from its present political and partisan context. He said he would try to persuade two or three members from each of the large Knesset factions to sponsor the amendment on a non-partisan basis.

Rabbi Yosef recounted in his letter that he had fought "hard and bitterly" against a proposal that the Chief Rabbinate Council should declare its support of the Goren ruling.

Rabbi Goren said he would appeal to the religious party factions to support this non-partisan move and waive making "political capital" on it — "if they really want to see the law changed." He explained that if the amendment were to be sponsored by the religious parties alone, "everybody else would think it was a political manoeuvre aimed at the coalition campaign."

Mr. Sanbar said that part of the blame for the unsatisfactory economic performance could be laid at the door of wage increases, which had been as high as 20 to 25 per cent, far beyond the limit which the Histadrut and the economic organizations had agreed upon at the beginning of the year. That agreement had called for a ceiling rate of six per cent for two years, plus an additional allowance for the normal "wage creep."

Shephard Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef has meanwhile published a letter clarifying his position on Rabbi Goren's Langer memorandum judgment. In the letter, written to a friend in Be'er Sheva with permission for him to publish it, Rabbi Yosef denies that he greeted the

in ultra-Orthodox circles opposition to the Goren ruling continued with seven leading speakers principals coming out in statements deprecating it. In an announcement dated Friday, Rabbis Yeheskel Abramsky (Stabodka Yeshiva), Moshe Hevroni (Hevron), Haim Shmulevitz (Mir) and Shlomo Zalman Auerbach (Kol Torah), declared that Rabbi Goren's decisions were not to be relied on in the future.

A similar declaration was signed on Thursday by Rabbi Ya'acov Ekanovsky (the leader of the Ezer Yehoshua in Be'er Sheva), Eliezer Shach (Ponevezh Yeshiva), and Kofe Shalom Elishav (who resigned as Chairman of the Supreme Rabbinical Court on the day Rabbi Goren was elected Chief Rabbi).

'We wanted to marry as Jews...' Langers (and spouses) oppose civil marriage

The Langer sister and brother — who fought a seven-year battle against being branded as *mameirim* under Jewish *halachic* law — said in an interview published in "Ha'aretz" on Friday that they opposed the Hausner bill (providing civil marriage for those disqualified by the Rabbinate).

could have dealt with the problem quickly and "curtailed our suffering." But, he said, "I hold no grievances. Religion is the Torah, it is law, and you can't hate laws by which you live. If you turn against the law you destroy the framework in which you live."

The State of Israel without religion is nothing," Hausner said. "A Jew is born and dies within his religion — for better or worse."

Hanoach and Miriam Langer were able to marry in religious ceremonies last Sunday after the stir of *mameirim* was lifted by a special court appointed by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren. Hanoach was married to Yehudit Krispon and Miriam to Daniel Levi.

Kol also wants to give Goren time to act

TEL AVIV. — Tourism Minister Moshe Kol said on Friday he too was inclined to recommend that his Independent Liberal Party hold off on the Hausner bill for limited civil marriage until it sees what Chief Rabbi Goren can accomplish on the state-and-religion problem.

The four young newlyweds told interviewer Matti Golan they opposed the Hausner civil marriage bill. Others suffering similar injustices "should fight the way we did," Miriam said.

Hanoach, an army sergeant-major, said the Hausner bill was aimed at solving problems "created by people. It is people who should solve them without resort to civil marriage."

Mr. Levi said that if it were not for religion "the Jews wouldn't be around any more." He added: "I have no hard feelings towards anyone."

Mr. Hausner has also said he favours giving Rabbi Goren a chance, but that the decision rests with the L.L.P. convention next month.

Mr. Kol said that the religion-state status quo had been used in favour of the religious sector. He declared that his party would demand a change if asked to continue in the coalition after the next elections. (Itm)

His wife added: "We could have resorted to civil marriage a long time ago. The fact is we wanted to be married according to the law of Moses and Israel. We always felt ourselves to be Jews in every respect and we wanted to get married as such."

Hanoach believed the two former chief rabbis (Unterman and Nissim)

Knesset reform bills dead, Baram says

The proposals to raise the cut-off percentage for elections to the Knesset and to increase the number of Knesset seats to 150 have been dropped, Mr. Moshe Baram, chief of the Alignment faction executive, told the Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper on Friday evening.

Mr. Baram said that since Gahal decided to oppose the measures, there was no chance of getting them through the Knesset. (Itm)

During Wednesday's protest, an official of OIVR, the Soviet visa and registration office, asked about a dozen of the protesters he knew to accompany him to the OIVR office, the sources said.

They did so, and there were told that sometime between December 1 and 4 they would receive new information about their applications for visas.

Next bus stop to be given electronically

TEL AVIV. — Buses will be equipped with loudspeakers so that drivers can call out the stations, under a new regulation issued by the Ministry of Transport. Beginning in 1974, buses without a microphone will not be licensed.

Volunteers get thanks, not work

TEL AVIV. — Miss Esther Herlitz, who runs the Centre for Volunteer Service in the Prime Minister's Office, said the Ministry of Absorption doesn't have the organizational set-up to put the many offers it receives from volunteers to good use.

Fined IL1,000 for striking school head

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Magistrates' Court fined Meir Buzaglo, 20, of Tel Hanan, near here, IL1,000 on Friday for striking the headmaster of the local Yehushua School, Dr. Avi Kedmi, a week earlier.

Lord Wells-Pestell said that it was "both saddening and disappointing that there should be a renewal of persecution when there has been such an improvement in the treatment of Jews during the past year."

He said he wrote to President Bakr several days ago urging him "to give full meaning to the various clauses in the Charter of Human Rights which specifically safeguard the rights of minorities. There are not many Jews left in Iraq, and the obvious solution would be to allow them to leave forthwith."

Israel leads Europe in Protein that can stop transplant rejection

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel should draw no comfort from the fact that inflation is rampant in Western Europe, where the cost-of-living is rising from six per cent a year to over ten per cent (in Britain). This does not condone inflation at home, which has been running at a still higher rate than the average European rate in the second half of this year, the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. Moshe Sanbar, warned on Friday.

"I regard the proposal of the Minister of Commerce and Industry to lift price controls as quite reasonable," he said.

It was true that the influx of capital from abroad contributed to the inflationary pressure, he went on. But while other countries could afford to curb such an influx, Israel needed investment capital and should not stop the flow, especially since industry was not accumulating enough investment capital.

Addressing the Maritime and Economic Club, he said that private consumption had risen at a rate of less than one per cent in 1970 and 1.5 in 1971 to eight per cent this year. "This is as bad a rate as we had in 1969, when for two years we had to practise sharp restraint in consumption, introduce higher taxes, and a 20 per cent levy on imports in 1970, followed by devaluation in 1971."

The means to encourage influx of capital yet halt inflation was to curb bank credits to the public and Government spending and avoid excessive wage rises and strikes.

4 killed, 8 hurt on roads

Jerusalem Post Staff

Four persons were killed and eight injured in four road accidents over the weekend.

Arvi Gerahit, 67, former secretary of the Netanya Labour Council, was killed Thursday evening when he was hit by an ambulance on the coastal road, north of the Netanya junction. Gerahit had been returning from a meeting of the Labour Party Executive in Tel Aviv in a car driven by Mr. Amos Degani, former M.K. Near the Amidar quarter, Gerahit and another passenger, Mr. Yehuda Hashai, of Netanya, got out.

As they crossed the highway, Gerahit was hit by an ambulance driven by Yosef Sassi, 21, of Mazeret Batya. Mr. Hashai was unhurt. Gerahit was taken to Hillel Yoffe Hospital in Hadera, where he was pronounced dead.

Gerahit, whose funeral took place on Friday, is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Yitzhak Peretz, 36, of Moshav Eilat, was fatally injured Thursday night in a collision between his pick-up truck and a truck near Ramat. The truck was overtaking another car and hit Peretz's vehicle head-on. Peretz died en route to hospital, and the other driver was taken to hospital with serious injuries.

On Friday, a truck driven by Yasser Jemil abu Jedi, 40, skidded and overturned on a wet road outside of Nablus. Jemil was killed, and two of his passengers were seriously injured.

In another accident, east of Nablus, a car skidded into a wadi 200 metres below the road. The driver, Naguib Ahmed, 40, of Kafir Salem, was killed. Five of his passengers, including a five-year-old boy, were injured and taken to hospital in Nablus.

Kollek gets pledges for new centres

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mayor Teddy Kollek returned from abroad Friday with pledges from foreign donors for the construction of two community centres.

Mr. Kollek, who was away for a month, had delivered talks across the U.S. for the United Jewish Appeal and Israel Bonds. The Municipality spokesman revealed last night that he had also got in some appeals for Jerusalem.

Among the responses was a gift of IL5m from friends of the late Lord Selkirk for the construction of a community centre in his name at the southern edge of Beit Hakarem, off Sderot Herzl. Sam and Ethie Friedberg of Miami Beach also contributed IL2m for a community centre in Talpott.

In addition, Mr. Kollek arranged the establishment of a IL500,000 fund for the maintenance of the recently reconstructed Sephardi Synagogues in the Old City.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Israeli scientist has isolated a protein that, he believes, could help overcome the rejection of transplanted organs and so lead the way to safe organ transplantation.

Professor David Nelken, head of the Department of Immunohematology at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Centre, has injected the protein extracted from human blood into animals that had previously had kidney and skin grafts. The results are highly promising.

The main obstacle to transplants at present is the body's natural rejection of foreign organs. Heart specialist Christian Barnard has called rejection the transplanters' greatest problem.

Medical scientists throughout the world are investigating sera and drugs to find the one that will prevent the rejection of transplants and enhance immunity, without reducing the patient's defences against disease. However, the anti-rejection sera now in use are all toxic, cause pain and increase the danger of cancer.

The substance isolated by Prof. Nelken is a polypeptide protein in normal blood plasma, which he has named normal immunosuppressive protein (N.I.P.). It is active on lymphocytes, the immune cells of the blood which cause organ rejection.

N.I.P. binds the membrane of the lymphocytes and neutralizes their activity. Prof. Nelken has found that the injection of N.I.P. into animals, which have undergone kidney and skin grafts, causes a reduction in the animals' immunosuppressive response. So far the transplanted organs are not being rejected.

Mother of 10 jailed for 19th violent offence

ASHKELON. — A mother of ten was sentenced on Friday to seven months' imprisonment for assaulting a social worker.

Magistrates' Court Judge Yitzhak Banai said the woman, Aliza Atal, was an "unfortunate woman," whose husband was known as a drunkard and violent man. But, he pointed out, she had a record of 18 previous convictions on similar charges, and she was a menace to the public.

In her latest offence, she stormed into the local social welfare office and threw a jar filled with water at the social worker, Shoshana Emek.

The judge activated a previously imposed five-month suspended sentence, which was included in her seven-month jail term. (Itm)

THE LONG WAY HOME

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A disappointed immigrant who tried to return to Uruguay via Lebanon was sentenced to two years in jail by District Court Judge Emanuel Sionim here on Friday.

The immigrant, Leopoldo Mario Fernando Kalk (Kannal), 21, arrived in Israel in November 1970 and crossed into Lebanon in September 1972. The Lebanese returned him after 20 days.

Kalk told the court on Friday that he had been unable to get housing, and that when he asked the Jewish Agency to help him return to Uruguay they had insisted on loan repayments which he was unable to meet.

In another case, two high school students, Tira, in the triangle, and the other from Ramle, were sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. They ran away from their homes two months ago after quarrels with their families.

Social and Personal

President Zalman Shazar on Friday gave a reception for members of the Executive of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo.

The President also received a delegation from the World Council of Synagogues.

The Austrian Ambassador, Dr. Johannes Nestor, on Friday called on Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig, and on Police Minister Shlomo Hillel.

Mr. Helge Seip, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Norwegian Parliament and former Minister of Labour, on Friday called on Mr. David Horowitz, chairman of the Bank of Israel's Advisory Committee.

Fashionable Furs — of course at Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv. Tel. 615990. Open all day, 1973 styles. (Adv.)

ARRIVALS

Wrightman Institute Board of Government Chairman, Mr. Abraham F. Wrightman, on Friday called on Secretary of Health, Professor Gerald Epstein, from the U.S. National Institutes of Health, Professor Ernst Chain, Nobel laureate from the Imperial College of London, Professor Gerald Epstein, of the University of California at Los Angeles, Professor Jacob Fine, of Harvard University, Messrs David Ginsburg of Washington D.C., Murray Koffler, of Toronto, Harry Levine of Cambridge, Mass., Professor John Ross, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, founding Board Chairman Dewey Stone of Brockton, Mass., and Deputy Board Chairman Stephen Stulman, of N.Y.C. for the meeting of the Institute's Board.

Ted R. Lurie, Editor of the Jerusalem Post, from the Newtech conference of the Newspaper Society of Great Britain at Brighton. (by El Al)

DEPARTURES

Mr. Arvi Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, and Mr. Moshe Rivlin, Secretary-General of the Jewish Agency, for a week's visit to several European cities on official business. (by El Al)

Mr. Ya'acov Tsuri, chairman of the Jewish National Fund, for Milan, to attend a meeting of the Italy-Israel Association, and afterwards to Greece, at the invitation of several Greece-Israel friendship societies. (by El Al)

NINE CHILDREN in a Dimona kindergarten came down with stomach poisoning on Friday after eating what is believed to have been tainted potato salad. Three of the children were hospitalized, and the rest were sent home after receiving first aid.

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Lecture: Prof. Christian B. Anfinsen, Nobel Prize Laureate, National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, U.S.A.

A memorial service will take place at the Rehovot Cemetery after the assembly. Transport will be provided.

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Buzaglo pleaded guilty and expressed regret. He explained that he had suspected the school to have treated his younger brother, a pupil,

Knesset reform bills dead, Baram says

The proposals to raise the cut-off percentage for elections to the Knesset and to increase the number of Knesset seats to 150 have been dropped, Mr. Moshe Baram, chief of the Alignment faction executive, told the Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper on Friday evening.

Mr. Baram said that since Gahal decided to oppose the measures, there was no chance of getting them through the Knesset. (Itm)

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Egypt ex-diplomat gets 10 years for spying for Israel

CAIRO (Reuter). — A former Egyptian diplomat and senior army officer has been sentenced to 10 years' hard labour for spying for Israel, three months after the jailing of a Belgian and a Frenchman on a similar charge.

Moheb Abdel-Ghaffar, 55, who was once Egypt's ambassador to Denmark, admitted communicating with a third country which passed on military, political and economic information detrimental to Egypt's security, an official announcement said on Friday.

The third power was not identified, but "Al Ahran" said it was a Western state having excellent relations with Israel.

Abdel-Ghaffar, who formerly held the army rank of major-general, also served as military attaché in West Germany before being pensioned off in 1959 when he became chairman of the fashionable Ma'adi sporting club here.



West German police armed with automatic weapons close in on an Air Canada DC-8 jet at Frankfurt airport yesterday after they had shot and killed the gunman who held an air hostess hostage for 24 hours. (AP radiophoto)

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"Al Ahran" said he began his spying career last year, and was arrested in May this year, and sentenced by a military tribunal on November 14.

The Government announcement said Abdel-Ghaffar admitted all the charges against him and his contacts with "an intelligence officer of a Western state who has close contacts with Israel and its intelligence service."

He also admitted that the information he gave was related to military secrets, the combat ability of the Egyptian army, types of arms obtained by Egypt and public opinion trends on the developments of the Middle East crisis.

Last August, Belgian industrialist Jacques Heran and French journalist Jean-Marc Vouaux were convicted as Israeli spies and sentenced to 15 and 10 years' hard labour respectively.

Frankfurt police kill 'pathological' hijacker

FRANKFURT (AP). — Police sharpshooters firing through a partly opened aircraft door shot and killed a gunman yesterday "with strong pathological traits" and freed unharmed a stewardess who was held hostage for nearly 24 hours aboard an Air Canada jetliner at Frankfurt airport.

Police director Horst Vogel, who headed the 150 policemen at the airport, told newsmen yesterday that "colleagues with special training were under orders to shoot the hijacker in a crystal-clear situation that would not endanger the hostages."

The hostage was 31-year-old Margit Sommer, a German-born Canadian, who was rescued when police stormed the DC-8 after gunning down the middle-aged hijacker, identified as Viktor Widera, 58, a German with a long criminal record.

Miss Sommer had been seized by the revolver-carrying gunman on Friday afternoon aboard the plane. He ordered the plane's other six crewmen off and then began issuing widely fluctuating demands to free various persons being held in West German jails.

Vogel said Miss Sommer talked Widera into allowing authorities to put a two-way radio aboard the plane.

"When Widera pushed open the door, Miss Sommer ran a few yards away from him down the corridor, giving police sharpshooters a chance to fire one well-aimed shot at the hijacker," Vogel said.

The shot, fired from about 60 metres, hit Widera as he stood at the aircraft's front door.

"Police officers, as previously arranged, stormed aboard the plane and found Widera mortally wounded in the passageway," he said.

The stewardess was unharmed during the ordeal lasting over 24 hours.

"The hijacker had a revolver on him loaded with six cartridges. He also carried a small parcel containing a powdery substance," Vogel said. He added that police were testing the substance to identify it. Widera had claimed he was carrying dynamite and would blow up the plane if his demands were not met.



Former Egyptian diplomat Moheb Abdel-Ghaffar slips coffee at the Cairo military prosecutor's office while under investigation for spying for Israel. (AP radiophoto)

Saying they were confronted with a man with "strong pathological traits," police tried psychological warfare and the appeals of a psychiatrist in vain attempts to coax Widera out of the aircraft.

Widera, who was born in the Ruhr city of Suisburg, first demanded custody of a young Czech air pirate accused in the slaying of a Czechoslovak pilot and a flight to Prague, where the air pirate faced a possible death penalty.

As an alternative, Widera said he would accept the release of 20 Czechs he said were jailed in West Germany on espionage charges.

Told there were not 20 such prisoners, Widera said he would settle for the release of any 20 convicts serving the highest sentences in West German prisons.

Widera later demanded release of jailed members of the anarchist Baader-Meinhof gang, who are awaiting trial for a series of thefts, break-ins, bank robberies and terrorist bombings in West Germany.

Communicating his demands in written notes dropped from the plane, Widera then offered to swap Miss Sommer for a 19-year-old acquaintance called Ursula Friedrich.

One of Widera's last messages up the plane if police delivered Miss Friedrich to the aircraft, parked about 200 metres from the airport terminal.

Both Widera and Miss Friedrich were Frankfurt residents early this year, police said. They were unable to locate the girl.

Vogel said the sharpshooters were a team of Frankfurt criminal and auxiliary police formed after the Munich Olympic Games shoot-out in September which claimed the lives of 11 Israeli sportsmen, five Arab terrorists and a German policeman.

Tony Schöber, Air Canada spokesman, said, "We whisked Miss Sommer away to a hotel and put her to bed. It's amazing how well she survived her ordeal. She's absolutely unharmed and just terribly tired."

Widera, who was not positively identified until police stormed the plane, had a criminal record including convictions for trespassing, illegal possession of weapons, and larceny, police said.

Short, wearing brown overalls, Widera had described himself in notes dropped from the plane as a former inmate of a Nazi concentration camp who wanted to go down in history.

Brandt enters hospital for throat ailment

BONN (Reuter). — West German Chancellor Willy Brandt entered hospital here yesterday morning for medical treatment to his throat, a government spokesman said.

The 58-year-old Chancellor entered an ear, nose and throat clinic in the fashionable Bonn suburb of Venusberg for treatment of what has been diagnosed as inflammation and swelling of his throat.

Meanwhile a Bonn government spokesman announced on Friday that Chancellor Brandt will crown his "Ostpolitik" with a historic journey to East Berlin just before Christmas to sign a "good neighbour" pact with East Germany.

Brandt will go to East Berlin either on December 21 or 22. Details still have to be agreed with the East German government, the spokesman said.

The Chancellor, fortified by a convincing election victory last Sunday that amounted to a vote of confidence in his policy of improving relations with the Communist East, will be the first West German head of government to visit the East German capital.

Peron says he might not try to regain presidency

BUENOS AIRES (Reuter). — Former Argentine strongman Juan Peron hinted here yesterday that under certain circumstances he might give up his attempt to regain the presidency.

Asked at a press conference if he would renounce his candidacy in elections next March, he replied: "I will renounce everything if that will mean serving my people and country better."

Peron indirectly expressed his support for the Argentine guerrilla movement by saying that guerrilla activity "is a natural escape mechanism for an oppressed people."

He said Argentine youth were marvellous, valiant and patriotic, and compared them with what he called "playboy violence" in advanced countries, saying: "When youth are going to fight I prefer them to be serious about it."

He called on the government to ensure a fair election without any conditions or restrictions.

Only in this way, he said, could there be a guarantee that the future government could carry out its task in a constitutional manner.

Old enemies have begun to make their voices heard in protest against the burly ex-President's return and observers said their bitterness would increase if he were to indicate that he hoped to rule again.

In an incendiary speech on Thursday night retired Admiral Isaac Rojas, one of the leaders of the 1955 coup which ousted the then General Peron, said he had been "ousted for once and for all" and described the return as abominable.

Hunger-striking IRA suspect near collapse as hearing begins

DUBLIN (Reuter). — I.R.A. suspect Sean MacStiofain, in a collapsed state after a seven-day hunger strike, gave court evidence yesterday while a medical team revived him with massage as he continually slumped forward in the dock.

The key witness in the case against MacStiofain, who is thought to be a leader of the illegal Irish Republican Army, was jailed for three months for contempt of court.

After a two-hour hearing yesterday morning, MacStiofain appeared barely conscious. When the court rose for an hour-long adjournment he collapsed into the arms of an attendant doctor.

During the hearing he sat huddled in the dock, a blanket wrapped around his shoulders, with a nurse and a doctor on either side.

When he slumped forward over the front of the dock the doctor massaged his legs in an attempt to revive him.

The doctor said outside the courtroom that MacStiofain was in "a state of shock, and could live for only another three days if his hunger strike continued."

The witness jailed for contempt was radio reporter Kevin O'Kelly, whose purported interview with MacStiofain was responsible for the alleged I.R.A. leader's arrest last Sunday.

O'Kelly was asked by Judge Frank Griffin to identify MacStiofain as the man he had interviewed. He said his conscience forbade him to abuse a confidence placed in him as a journalist.

But he admitted that a tape recording of the interview — which Friday night resulted in the sequestering by the Irish Government of the entire authority of the state radio and television network R.T.E. — was authentic.

The court had ordered R.T.E. to submit the tape to the court as evidence against MacStiofain.

After jailing O'Kelly for contempt, Judge Griffin adjourned the hearing for an hour in order to decide on the court's next move.

Meanwhile, anger grew here yesterday over the dismissal of the nine-man R.T.E. authority for allegedly disobeying a government directive forbidding interviews with people who advocate violent means for political ends.

Opposition members of the Irish Republic Parliament were laying plans for a parliamentary protest this week, while R.T.E. journalists were considering whether to go on strike.

In Ulster yesterday, two men, both Protestants, admitted themselves to the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast, one in critical condition, police said.

An army spokesman said gunmen had fired on British troops in scattered Londonderry shooting incidents. The troops sustained no casualties. A small bomb was thrown at an army car 15 kms outside Londonderry, but caused no damage.

'Jackie in the nude'

ROME (Reuter). — An Italian magazine yesterday published 10 pages of full-colour nude photographs which it said had been taken of Mrs. Jacqueline Onassis while she was holidaying on the Greek island of Skorpios.

The photographs, showing full frontal and rear views, were published exclusively in the weekly girls magazine "Playmen" in a spread titled: "Jacqueline, the former first lady of America."

They are so clear as to seem to rule out the possibility of a forgery.

The magazine did not say how the photographers had managed to break through the security at the island hideaway, owned by Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis, who married the former Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy in 1968, five years after the assassination of her first husband, President John Kennedy.

But according to a report in the Milan daily "Il Giorno," an international group of 10 photographers, including some Italians, worked from January 1971 until the spring of this year in order to obtain the pictures.

If quoted rumours that the money paid for the photographs in Italy was between 30 and 50 million lire (between about £21,400 and £35,700).

The newspaper said that "Playmen" had obtained exclusive rights to the photographs in Italy and the right to be the first magazine in the world to publish them.

The photographs include frontal and rear views, apparently of Mrs. Onassis completely undressed and holding a blue towel in the sun outside a beach house on the island.

"Il Giorno" commented: "For Jacqueline, the publication of these photographs can be pleasing only in one sense — that at 43, after having two children, she still has an elegant, slim, and young figure."

According to "Il Giorno," the unnamed photographers made their first exploratory visit to Skorpios in January 1971, when, posing as tourists, they hired a boat and circled the island.

Throughout May and June 1971, they began trying to obtain their nude photographs of Mrs. Onassis, but they were thwarted by the fact that she was always travelling, the newspaper said.

They were about to give up the attempt in October 1971, but after discovering that the financial reward could be very large, they started again this spring, equipping themselves with underwater diving gear and waterproof cameras, "Il Giorno" said.

Despite narrow escapes from Mr. Onassis's private guards, including an occasion when one photographer stayed underwater until he was half-suffocated to avoid being seen, the photographers finally achieved their objective last spring, the newspaper added.

Greek captain on manslaughter charges

ATHENS (Reuter). — The captain and two crew of the super-tanker World Hero, which 12 days ago collided with a Greek navy ship outside Piraeus harbour, killing 44 sailors, were yesterday remanded in custody on manslaughter charges.

Captain Ioannis Sarrides, first mate Constantine Anastasiou and seaman Alexandros Papakyriakos were ordered to stand trial after appearing before an investigating magistrate on charges of manslaughter by negligence, causing a shipwreck by negligence and causing bodily harm.

MALTA — "Al Ahran" newspaper yesterday praised the Maltese government for closing down the British Broadcasting Corporation's relay station in its territory. "This is a remarkable gesture of solidarity with the Arab governments," the newspaper said in an editorial.

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PARENTS ARE FREED OF BLAME FOR ACCIDENT

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on October 12, 1971 (in C.C. 122/68).

The Rishon Lezion Municipal Council runs a club for small children on the opposite side of the street from the home of Eliahu Nachum, Eliahu, who was 3½ years old at the time, was in the habit of going to this club although it situated crossing a fairly busy street. One day, as he was about to enter the courtyard of the club, the gate, which had been hanging on one rickety hinge, fell on him and injured him on the head, face and chest.

The District Court found negligence on the part of the Municipal Council and awarded the child IL25,000 damages for pain and suffering and IL45,000 for loss of future earnings. The Court found, however, that there had been contributory negligence on the part of the child's parents to the extent of one-fifth of the damages, and reduced the award by this sum.

The child's parents appealed against this decision and the Municipal Council appealed against the amount of damages awarded.

Mr. N. Langer appeared for the appellants and Mr. E. Behr for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Berenson, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, noted that the District Court's decision that the parents had been guilty of contributory negligence had been based on its conclusion that the parents should not have allowed a 3½-year-old child to cross the street alone, unaccompanied by an adult who would have perceived the danger inherent in the gate and kept the child at a distance from it. He could not accept this reasoning, he held, because the rule with

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeal
Before Justices Berenson, Kister and Hertzlin
Eliahu, Zachi and Miriam Nachum, Appellants, v. Rishon Lezion Municipal Council, Respondents (C.A. 618/71)

LAW REPORT
Edited by Doris Lankin

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1972

PARENTS OF INJURED CHILD NOT NEGLIGENT

regard to contributory negligence on the part of parents of a small child, is that they must see to it that their child does no harm, and is not harmed, by acts or omissions which could reasonably have been foreseen. It is true, he continued, that in the present case the parents, who had allowed the child to cross the street by himself, could not be expected to foresee that he might possibly be injured by passing vehicles. But the fact is that he was injured while crossing the street. He was injured after he had got safely across the street and had already reached the gate of the club. The appellants, he continued, had not known that the gate was likely to injure their child, nor could they have been expected to know this. For it is not usual for gates which are in proper order to fall down or passers-by, and the appellants had had no cause for thinking or fearing that this particular gate, which was in constant use by the children visiting the club, was in a precarious state of disrepair and constituted a danger. Once, therefore, the child had crossed the road safely and had reached the gate of the club, there had been no duty on the parents' part to accompany him into the club, as they

had had no reason for expecting the existence of danger within the confines of a club especially meant for children of their own age and which they could, therefore, reasonably expect to be safe (see also C.A. 242/66, Peaken M'Horzim 19/385).

The appeal against the finding of contributory negligence should therefore be allowed, held Justice Berenson.

Turning next to the respondent's cross-appeal against the amount of the damages, Justice Berenson held that IL25,000 for pain and suffering was on the high side, but it was not so exaggerated as to warrant the intervention of the Supreme Court, in the light of the fact that the child was disgraced by the scars on his head and face and that he could not go out in the sun to play with other children. On the other hand, he continued, he thought that the sum of IL45,000 for loss of future earnings was excessive as it had been based on calculations made in cases of epilepsy, whereas the court itself had found that the child was not suffering from epilepsy, but had occasional fainting spells. When, he continued, a trial court erroneously takes into account an unrealistic fact, which can have an appreciable influence on its estimate of the damages, then it is the duty of the Supreme Court to amend its estimate. For this reason, therefore, he thought that the appropriate sum for loss of future earnings was IL35,000 and not IL45,000.

In conclusion, Justice Berenson held that the sum of IL2,000 for advocate's fees, which the District Court had awarded the plaintiffs, was too low, in view of the fact that the minimum fee in the Chamber of Advocate's tariff (which generally serves as a yardstick for fixing fees by the courts), is several times that amount, and should be raised to IL4,000.

Appeal allowed with IL2,000 costs and cross-appeal partly allowed. Judgment given on November 7, 1972.

SWISS CITIZENS DEFEND CEDAR

GENEVA (AP). — A more than a 100-foot high cedar tree has been under guard by a citizens' group in downtown Geneva in an effort to thwart plans to have it cut.

A wooden platform mounted at about 70 feet in the tree served as a watchtower. A similar night-and-day vigil was set up in a neighbouring house that is to be wrecked to make room for a block of bachelor-girl apartments.

Spokesman for the group called on inhabitants of the Eaux-Vives district to protest the "invasion by office buildings, luxury apartments and parking lots."



Abraham Feinberg, chairman of the Board of Governors.

WEIZMANN GOVERNORS TO MEET

Distinguished laymen and scientists from many countries, including the 1972 Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, Professor Christian S. Amis, are coming to Israel for the 23rd annual meeting of the Weizmann Institute's Board of Governors. The meeting opens under the chairmanship of Mr. Abraham Feinberg on Tuesday.

Reports on research and teaching programmes will be presented, and the Institute's financial problems will be discussed.

President Zalman Shazar will attend the closing public session on Wednesday, which will open with an address by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Pinhas Sapir.

Weizmann Institute Honorary Fellowships will be awarded to French Nobel Laureate Professor André M. Lwoff and to Mr. David Ginsburg, prominent Washington lawyer and chairman of numerous U.S. presidential commissions. Also being honoured are 16 contributors of new buildings and professional chairs from Brazil, Canada, France, Switzerland, Britain, the U.S. and West Germany.

Prime Minister Golda Meir will speak at a banquet to be held on the campus on Wednesday evening.

Young tennis players going to Miami

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Reuven Forgas and Yair Wertheimer will represent Israel in the 29th annual World Junior Tennis Championships taking place at Miami Beach, Florida, in the last fortnight of December.

This will be the eleventh time Israel is participating in the event, the most important junior meet in the international tennis calendar, which is expected to have an entry of some 60 countries in its silver jubilee year. Forgas and Wertheimer also took part in last December's championships, when they were accompanied by the then national coach Ronald Steele.

Prior to the meet, the two youngsters are to undergo intensive training under Steele, at the tennis club in Ohio where he is now coaching. Eighteen-year-old Forgas left for Ohio a few days ago, while Wertheimer, 17, will join him shortly.

Fatah group killed Syrian: 'Le Figaro'

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The French newspaper "Le Figaro" reported last week that Khodr Kannaou, the Syrian newspaper correspondent killed by three gunmen in his Paris flat a fortnight ago, was shot by an Israeli Fatah group because he was an Israeli agent.

"Le Figaro" said the 36-year-old playboy arrived in France as an Arab agent hired by Jamal al-Wattanih, a Palestinian organisation, but in order to maintain his high style of living agreed to work for Israel's "Mossad."

The newspaper said the Palestinians gave Kannaou instructions to find out about Israeli sympathisers in Europe and the methods used by Israel to foil France's arms embargo.

"Le Figaro" added: "He soon made a number of mistakes and was quickly identified by Israeli agents, who lost no time in turning him round in order to use him as a double agent."

"In order to finance his high style of living he is believed to have conducted a profitable arms traffic on behalf of the Israelis and traded to the Mossad some important disclosures about the networks of Black September in France and West Europe."

"According to the information which he provided, the agents of this extremist movement passed themselves off as diplomats of a North African country in order to cross frontiers easily and to move around freely within various countries. Several Black September agents were thus unmasked and quietly eliminated."

"Le Figaro" said Kannaou was eventually identified by the R.A.S.D., a Fatah commando which carried out the murder of Jordanian Premier Wasfi Tel in Cairo. The Syrian was then killed by their gunmen.

The newspaper said official police sources in Paris refused to confirm this version of the Syrian's activities and his death. The Paris crime squad says there are no grounds for assuming that Kannaou was a secret agent.

The Palestinian Liberation Organisation has issued a statement denying it murdered him, and the Syrian Embassy claims he was not a Syrian national.

"Le Figaro" concluded: "In fact this affair seems to embarrasse everybody and all involved are keeping their lips sealed."

though his reference to "calculated risks" amounted to a call for resumption of hostilities along the Suez Canal.

"An calculated risk is better than erosion," he said. "The Arab dream and future are fading... and the spectre of chaos threatens us in a world governed by order."

"There is a crisis of conscience between the governments and the people," he said. "But how can we activate the crisis? This is the big problem," Heykal ended.

Heykal says Egypt must take some risks

CAIRO (UPI). — Egypt must break the Middle East deadlock because the current state of no-war, no-peace is eroding its material and moral resources, Mohammed Hassanin Heykal said in his weekly article in "Al-Ahram" newspaper on Friday.

"Those who risk nothing gain nothing, and it is better to rush into an unknown future than to stay the prisoner of a gloomy present," Heykal wrote.

He said the continued stalemate amounted to a "war of attrition" against Egypt, and prevented Cairo from playing its role as the Arab leader "which is a catastrophe without limits."

"The Arab world suffers a crisis of decision because the Arabs do not know the truth, and a crisis of suspicion because they do not believe the truth when they hear it."

"Egypt cannot wait any longer, unless it wants erosion to set in," Heykal wrote. "Next June will mark the passage of six years since the Six Day War, which is beyond anybody's power of moral and material endurance. It amounts to a war of attrition."

Heykal said a new world era has begun with the rapprochement between the U.S. and Russia and China, and the emergence of Western Europe and Japan.

"In this modern age, the Middle East crisis looks as if it were obsolete dating back to the narrow sea," he wrote.

Heykal did not say how Egypt should break the deadlock, although he said it was alleged.

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S. Africa guerrilla gets 15 years

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (Reuter). — A 34-year-old African who received guerrilla warfare training in Communist countries and took part in guerrilla action in Rhodesia was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment here after being found guilty on two counts under the Terrorism Act.

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Monday, November 27
7:45 p.m. Bible Study with Zalman Lison
8:30 p.m. TV Programme

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Tuesday, November 28
4:00 p.m. Tea Canceled
Mr. Avia Cherman will instead address us at a Tea Social on Tuesday, December 12, at 7 p.m.
8:30 p.m. Young Adults Social
8:30 p.m. Jewish History with Rev. Joseph Halpern

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Wednesday, November 29
11:00 a.m. Dramatic Bible Chapters with Shimon Ben Zion
1:30 p.m. Singletons Social (over 25)
2:30 p.m. Talmud with Rabbi Stanley Gold

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New range of imported luxury kitchens from Elsomat (left): this one country-style in dark, grubby paneled wood. All mod cons are, of course, built in as optional extras. From Design Centre International's newly opened showrooms: Selection of ceramic wall and floor tiles and sanitary fittings from Italy, Spain and Germany in shapes ranging from rectangular to Moorish.

DECORATORS' FIELD DAY

By Catharina Rosenbomer
Jerusalem Post Reporter

CALL it conspicuous consumerism. A year of inflation, "prosperity" or just a plain boom in the home decorating field... the fact is that barely a week goes past these days without the opening of yet another glossy furnishing showroom offering all manner of items, locally produced or imported, with all manner of "latest innovations." All are reportedly doing brisk business with old time Israelis and tax-exempt new immigrants alike.

Last week was no exception. We were invited to visit the recently opened Design Centre International in Kikar Hamadina and a brand new showroom of imported German luxury kitchens, Elsomat in King George Street.

A superficial glance around Design Centre International's showrooms revealed the following glorious medley: repro "Louis" buttoned velvet settees and chairs, repro Sheraton desks and breakfronts, Chinese-style rugs, brass and crystal chandeliers, a couple of ornate canvases of geometric modern art, ruffled-looking ceramics and craftsman-like chairs and tables in brass studded embossed hide, modern kitchens, French gilt tea-trolleys, "organ pipe" room dividers in scarlet and gold with optional light fittings to match. A glass topped coffee table was supported by carved Grecian goddess forms and, last but not least, the finishing touch for any gracious interior: scarlet plastic TV sets.

Design Centre International's Managing Director is Benjamin Scheel, a new immigrant interior decorator

from the U.S., formerly the proprietor of a large New Jersey furnishing business. Mr. Scheel, apparently, is taking no chances, aiming to cater for just about any conceivable taste in furnishing. He prides himself on the fact that his business offers a "complete home service: the only operation of its type offering everything you need under one roof, from the smallest plumbing and electrical repairs to upholstery, tiling, carpentry and complete planning services from interior design to full architecture. If a customer comes to us with an empty building plot, we can turn it into a fully furnished home for him."

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Cleanest food served in Gold kibbutzim

By Macabee Dean
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE cleanest food in public eating places is served in kibbutz dining rooms. This emerges from a survey made by Dr. Simon Rosenbluth, of the Ministry of Health's District office in Afula, and which was recently published in "Harefuah," the organ of the Medical Association.

Dr. Rosenbluth headed a team which surveyed 115 public dining rooms in the district. Of these, 35 were "commercial," that is, served

the general public, 38 were in institutions (20 in schools, nine in children's institutions, seven in industrial concerns, and two in rest homes, and 42 in kibbutzim.

They were divided into three grades on the basis of their level of hygiene: good, average, and bad.

Only 11 per cent of the commercial restaurants were classified as good, as compared to 24 per cent of the institutional ones, and 55 per cent of the kibbutzim. The commercial ones constituted 63 per cent of the average ones, institutions 69 per cent and kibbutzim 40 per cent.

And as for the bad ones, the commercial ones had 26 per cent, much more than the eight per cent in institutional ones and the five per cent in kibbutzim.

Dr. Rosenbluth also checked the bacterial count in the three different types. This corresponded to the general hygienic conditions.

The reasons for this are explained by Dr. Rosenbluth as follows: the kibbutzim have trained kitchen personnel — some 43 per cent as compared to 29 per cent in the institutions and only nine per cent in the commercial restaurants. Moreover, the physical "size" of a kibbutz dining room was excellent, that of the institutions was 97 per cent, and that of the restaurants only 68.6 per cent. As for hot water in the kitchen to wash the dishes, all the kibbutzim had this, but 18.4 per cent of the institutions and 62.8 per cent of the restaurants did not have it.

As for washing dishes by hand, only 57.2 per cent of the kibbutzim did this, compared with 39.5 per cent of the institutions, and all of the restaurants.

School for girls a must says Beduin teacher

By Lea Levavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter

JUMAHAH Azbarka, a 23-year-old Beduin school teacher, hopes to start a second career in the movies. He has written a scenario about Beduin life in the Negev which he hopes will soon be his first film. "But whatever I do I want to keep on teaching," he told me when we met in Tel Aviv last week. "Because I want my tribe's way of life to change, and the best way to change things is to influence the teenagers."

Though he teaches in an elementary school (he teaches Hebrew to fifth through eighth grade) some of his pupils are not much younger than himself. There are 17- and 18-year-olds in eighth grade, for instance. "That's because no one forced them to go to school when they were younger. The compulsory education law never worked very well with the Beduin. But as they got older they began to see that education pays — and today most parents send their children to school."

To the question of whether Beduin schools have special problems which other Israeli Arab schools did not have, Jumamah answered: "We have enough teachers, and good ones, but we need more classrooms and furniture. We don't have enough chairs or closets in the school, and three classes have to study outside for lack of rooms. I explained that I had meant to ask whether the Beduin way of life created educational problems."

"No, except for what I told you about the age of some of the pupils and about lack of physical facilities. We still live in tents, but other wise our way of life is about like that in the Arab villages." (Israeli Beduin have almost completely settled down, though in other areas such as Sinai, the old, nomadic way of life remains.)

The government is building houses for the Beduin of the Negev.

Jumamah explained, but the older Beduin prefer to remain in tents. "In a tent, you don't have to pay property tax or electric bills. My father, for instance, is very happy in his tent together with his sheep."

The tent, he explained, is divided into three sections: the men's quarters (which women enter only to clean — and that only when the men are not there), the women's quarters and the animals' quarters. There is a special, separate cooking area.

Despite the modernizing influences (many of the men in his tribe work as truck drivers, construction workers and even as registered male nurses in the Jewish sector, Jumamah had to admit that the tent was not the only remnant of Beduin custom which remains. "If a girl's brother suspects that a boy is interested in his sister, he'll kill the boy — literally. We still have blood revenge. In the villages, they get around blood revenge by calling in the village notables and making "suha" (a peace agreement), but among the Beduin even a suha doesn't do any good."

NO FUTURE
The position of the Beduin woman, he explained, is far worse than that of girls in the villages. "The Beduin girl knows she has no future. She may be beautiful but she'll never be elected beauty queen. Village girls have entered the universities; in our tribe it's hard enough to get the parents to let them finish eighth grade."

Even the men of the tribe have not yet entered the university, but Jumamah thinks two or three will be entering Hebrew University next year. Thirty or forty Israeli Arab women teachers now work in the Negev teaching Beduin girls. "We have six of these teachers in our school, but they don't have enough girls to teach. Out of about 350 pupils, there are only about 30 girls." (Originally, the teachers' parents, and the elders of the villages from which they come, had been against the girls working in the Negev but the storm has since subsided.) "All six of them live together and everyone accepts the idea now."

Jumamah's two eldest sisters (both in their late teens and married) did not go to school, but his younger sister is now in fifth grade and he intends to fight to keep her in school. "But I'm not only worried about my own sister; I'm worried about all the girls in the tribe."

Jumamah — who got his high school education in Tira (a village

in the Triangle) and has been teaching in his tribe's school ever since — is sure things will change within the next 15 years. "By then we'll have more educated people and more young people who want to change things. We'll also have houses, which I think will solve most of the problem."

But is the younger generation of Beduin just sitting and waiting? "I think we're going to band together and demonstrate at the central meeting place where the elders of the tribe get together. We're going to demand that girls be allowed to continue their educations and that they be given more freedom. This is one of the issues which bothers us most."

Artists aid handicapped

Jerusalem Post Reporter
JERUSALEM — ONE hundred and twenty of the country's best artists have donated 120 pictures for a benefit sale for Alyn, the Jerusalem Hospital and Allin, the roof organization for handicapped children. The exhibition and sale will be held on December 11, at the President's House in Jerusalem.

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Tel Aviv's Micha hold their bazaar

TEL AVIV. — MICHA's annual bazaar will be held here on Tuesday, November 28, at the Dan Hotel. It starts at 10 a.m. and goes through the day. Proceeds this year are to be used for the building fund for Beit Micha now going up in Ramat Aviv.

A wide range of gifts, many of them homemade, will be on sale. This bazaar is only for Tel Aviv, as Micha, the society for deaf children, operates independently in Jerusalem, Haifa, BeerSheva and Tel Aviv.

The 1973 gold medals won by the Haifa based Kleen products were: Tip — No-bio for washing machines; Elsomat — Bio for washing machines; Trakin — Floor cleaning liquid.

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The awards were handed over to Kleen's representative at the general awards ceremony at Geneva where both the President and the chairman of judging panel expressed their congratulations to the Israeli firm for its "outstanding achievement."

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NEW AGE OF THE RAILWAYS The 250-mph train that runs on air cushions

STRASBOURG, France (FWF). — Europe is about to enter a new railway age; the 1980s promise, through the introduction of the air cushion technique, to bring about a transformation of communications which could stretch from the Moray Firth in Scotland via the English Channel Tunnel to Asia and North Africa. A decade ago railways were like old soldiers, if not dying, then fading away. Lord Beeching's salvaging operation for British Railways has to be viewed now in the spirit of those times: national, rational, based on inflexible management and with the accent at best on "improving" the then existing services rather than "innovating" new techniques and research. In the U.S., the bankruptcy of Pennsylvania Railroads seemed to confirm the pessimists; in the days of jet air travel the railway age of last century seemed to be coming to an end.

Looking to the future, all this has now changed for Europe. A new railway age is about to be realized through the introduction of the air cushion type of transport which will have a commercial speed of 250 mph — capable of carrying up to 5,000 passengers per hour from city centre to city centre. The future of air transport, with the congestion of airports, their distance from commercial centres, suggests that they will be used only for inter-continental and long-distance travel. Within Europe, on short and medium distances, they will not be able to compete with new high speed land transport which will transform not only travelling habits, but the regions served.

NOT A FANTASY
The new railway age is no longer a kind of Jules Verne fantasy. London to New York via Trans-Siberian and Trans-Pacific Railways, together with Channel and Bering Straits tunnels. It will be brought about by European technocrats following the recommendations of the Council of Europe Conference of Local Authorities recently held in Strasbourg. As a result, the first line to operate an air cushion train will link Brussels, Luxembourg, Strasbourg, Basle and Geneva — towns where many European institutions have their headquarters. An extension of this line is envisaged to link both Paris and London with European institutions.

The start which is to be made with the air cushion system will also end the pointless disputes concerning the "capital" of Europe. It is now recognized that Europe's traditions and diversity require polycentric capitals spread among a large number of European cities which are readily accessible — thanks to the high speed air cushion network.

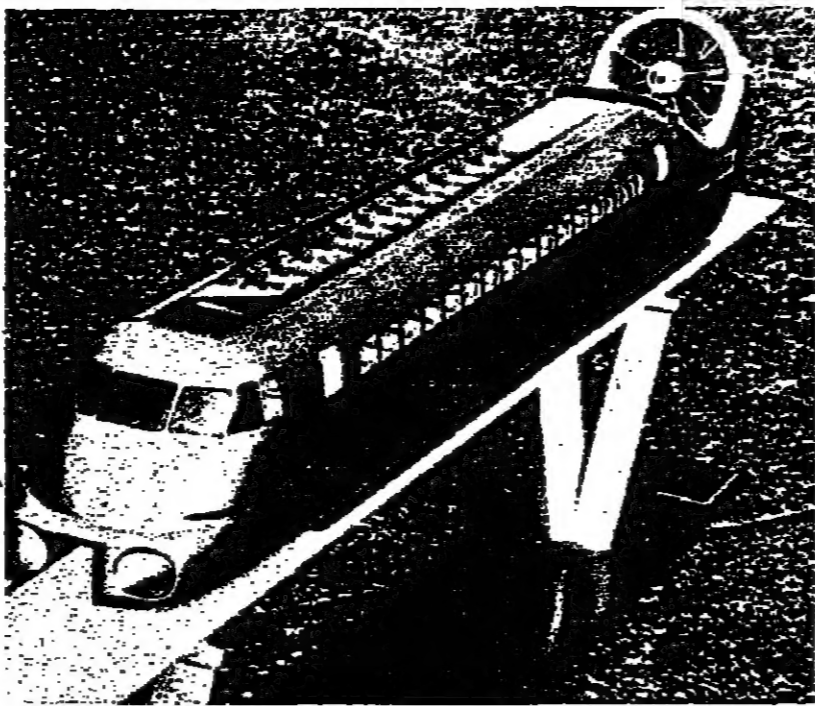
So far two prototypes of the air cushion train have been developed, the French Aerotrain and the British Hovertrain. Both are vehicles running on an air cushion, propeller-driven or jet-propelled, and trials have been made with electric traction. Their commercial speed will reach 250 mph, which is double that of the present Japanese express, the Tokaido (a conventional train with a maximum speed of 125 mph).

100 PASSENGERS

The air cushion train is best suited to medium distance runs stopping every quarter or half hour and capable of carrying 100 passengers, with a frequency which could reach 30 to 60 second intervals. The main difference between the French and British models is that of the substructure, the Aerotrain requiring inverted T girders, while the Hovertrain requires inverted U girders. There would be a track in each direction.

A preliminary estimate of the cost of the initial Brussels-Geneva line would be \$400m. Paying off the investment would be guaranteed not only through the operation of the line itself, but also through the advantages of the general economy of the neighbouring regions and participating countries.

From the initial line, extensions facilitated by the Channel Tunnel would be made, while the North Sea oil developments would encourage the building of a line to the Moray Firth. Elsewhere the network would spread to Erest, Ghrzhar for North Africa, and across the Bosphorus at Istanbul to Asia and Ankara. By then there would, no doubt, be links with Eastern European countries.



A model of the French aerotrain, one of two models currently being developed. (FWF photo)

U.S. theatre-lovers add Israel to their tour list

By GEORGE LEONOF

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A BOSTON-based theatre club with offices in three larger American cities, which earlier this year tentatively announced it was considering adding Israel to its programme for excursions abroad, found an unexpectedly enthusiastic response. It received some 400 queries almost instantaneously.

To be on the safe side, it arranged excursions for 500 of its members this winter, but had to keep expanding this figure. By the time the project ends in the beginning of February, 1,200 members will have participated in the 10-day tours for which groups numbering between 40 and 80 leave at intervals of a week. The overwhelming majority are from Boston because of the time it did not permit adequate preparation of similar programmes in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia, the three other cities where the National Theatre Club operates.

Jerome Rosenfield, president of the club, is certain that the number of clubmen visiting Israel next year will be three times this winter's figure.

Essentially, the National Theatre Club supplies members with news about cultural activities, ensures bookings and performances, etc. Some years ago the club expanded its activities and began arranging tours to foreign countries offering cultural entertainment. Last year 20,000 club members went on such tours by charter flights to various destinations, with Greece as the farthest point east.

CHARTER DIFFICULTIES

The charter flight provision consistently tripped up repeated attempts by the Israel Tourism Ministry's representative in Boston to add Israel to the list. Israel permits charters only from Scandinavia or for bona fide pilgrims. But by the beginning of this year the Ministry's representative, then Micha Gidron, worked out package deals for club members coming to Israel by BA group flights, with the overall cost comparing favourably with that of other points on their regular programme.

Mr. Rosenfield, who came with one of the groups this month, said that club members participating in the scheme are approximately evenly divided between Jews and non-Jews. All are unanimous in their surprise at the extent and variety of Israel's cultural life. He felt sure the inclusion in the scheme next year of members in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia will bring over 3,000 of them to Israel.

Mr. Gidron, who has since returned to Israel to assume the post of Ministry spokesman, said they will be offered a larger option of itineraries than the choice made available this year.

The rise of the New Luddism?

By J. VOET

AT the start of the industrial revolution in Britain the workers considered the machine their enemy. Led by Ned Ludd, they revolted and tried to destroy the devilish inventions who were robbing them of their very existence. The workers' uprising was put down by brutal force. During the nineteenth century similar movements against the rationalization of industry occurred in various countries, but gradually the workers and their trade unions concluded that mechanization and rationalization of industry was also to their advantage.

Recently a serious outbreak of "modern Luddism" occurred in Europe, in Holland. The Dutch chemical giant AKZO which owns many factories, mostly in Holland but also in other Common Market countries, decided a few months ago to adopt a new merger scheme which involved closing several factories, making over five thousand workers in Holland, Belgium and Germany jobless.

The reason for the foreclosure of the plants was not a technical one. Production was efficient. It had proved impossible to sell at a profit the artificial fibres produced, because Italian factories in violation of existing agreements, were dumping their fibres at prices below cost on the Common Market. So the AKZO management planned a way out by merging some factories, hoping to bring costs down. This decision caused a major uproar in the Low Countries, especially as some of the factories had only just been opened. The trade unions started a fight to force the AKZO management to stop the plan. Through use of all the information media, especially television, in the three countries most concerned, the unions succeeded in forcing AKZO to submit its plan to a semi-official inquiry. This was only achieved after the workers, joined by members of their families, had staged a sit-in at the factory premises. The company is now withdrawing its restructuring scheme, apparently because the inquiry sharply criticized it for disregarding the social implications of its scheme.

VICTORY FOR UNIONS

The decision is regarded as a major victory for international trade unionism — the unions of the countries concerned had joined in the fight. But the decision has also been seen as a kind of new Luddism. The AKZO management must have pleaded before the inquiry commission that in the long run the workers would benefit from the winding out of the less efficient plants. Rationalization made possible by technology.

JOBLESS IN NAZARETH

Jerusalem Post Reporter
UPPER NAZARETH — After years of a labour shortage there is now unemployment in Upper Nazareth. The Secretary of the Labour Council, Menahem Ariav, says that the exchange now has 100 job-seekers registered. In addition, 500 local workers, including 150 immigrants, have jobs in Pardess Hanna, Yokneam and elsewhere because nothing suitable is available here.

He said that while the town is absorbing many newcomers, local industry is not developing sufficiently, and the Absorption Ministry appears to be sending immigrants on the basis of available housing, regardless of whether there are jobs available. The problem was raised before Commerce and Industry Minister Eshim Bar-Lev when he visited the town last week. Mayor Mordechai Alkon called on him to grant Upper Nazareth development status, like Tiberias, and to continue the transfer of regional government offices to the city. He also urged that tourism facilities be developed.

Mr. Bar-Lev agreed about the tourism proposals and promised to examine the possibility of transferring his Ministry's Haifa offices here.

He did not believe that the present unemployment was an indication of a new situation in the development towns. Local industrial expansion would create 200 new jobs within a few months.

Tufted carpet firms to merge two factories

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two factories making tufted carpets, both established within the last year at a cost of £1.7m each, are to merge, according to a spokesman for Caesarea Textiles.

The first plant, Nazareth Carpets in Nazareth, was founded by Mr. Mate Lipson, of the U.S., head of Venture Carpets, which has plants in the U.S., Canada, England, Australia and Belgium. The second plant was founded by Caesarea Textiles and Netivot in the Negev.

The spokesman said owner allocation of shares of ownership between the two parent companies is now being decided upon.

Both plants went into production only about three weeks ago, and each employs 50 persons. Within several years, production is expected to rise to three million square metres. Most of the planned production, at least 70 per cent, is for export, with the target areas being Europe, the Far East (Hongkong, Singapore, Thailand) and several African countries.

COMPTROLLER REPORTS

Petah Tikva fathers rapped for lack of publicity on zoning

By SARAH HONIG

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The State Comptroller takes the Petah Tikva Municipality to task for not giving sufficient clear publicity to its decisions regarding zoning and planning of housing-plots within its jurisdiction. The Comptroller last week published a special report on the subject after having been approached by a group of landowners and by the Municipality itself.

The issue concerns a plot of land in Kfar Ganim, which had been zoned for apartment house construction. The plans were then changed and the plot allocated for use as a helicopter landing pad for the nearby Sharon hospital, as well as for other public construction. Still later, the city fathers again changed their mind, and the land was again designated for housing.

The owners of the plot inquired about the Municipality's intentions regarding this land and neighbouring plots, but no clear answer was received. With no satisfactory reply, the owners sold the land for IL450,000. One of the Deputy Ma-

yors, Mr. Y. Finestain, was involved in the sale.

The owners later claimed that changes in the planning affecting neighbouring plots which could have increased the value of their own land, were withheld from them. Mr. Finestain's role in the case was brought to the attention of the Attorney-General and the case is still under investigation. He has meanwhile resigned.

The Comptroller says that the city's role is too unclear to be satisfactory. "While the Municipality was changing the zoning of the land, it continued to deal with the owners as if nothing at all had been altered," he complains.

Any such changes must be made public by law, he stresses. The clear intention of the law is to provide property owners with full information. When the Municipality decided on changes which could affect the value of the land, "it should have informed the owners forthwith, even before it was obliged to do so by law. This is especially so as a direct query was addressed to the Municipality about the matter."

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AIR FRANCE

Property tax abolished for poor families

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Certain underprivileged families will be exempted from the property tax, according to an executive order to be signed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir in the next few days.

The relief from the tax will be effective with the 1972 tax year. It will be granted on residence units not exceeding IL50,000 in value and occupied by a family of up to five persons. For families with six or more members the flat may bear a market value of up to IL65,000 and still qualify for the exemption.

The general rule is that all members of the family be dependent on the home owner for support, and that the latter's income does not exceed IL125 per month for each family member he supports. If there is a chronically ill person in the household, or if either the father or mother is dead, the total monthly income may be increased by IL100 and the family still remain within the exempted status.

The new regulation, which has already been approved by the Knesset Finance Committee, also frees other categories of persons from the property tax:

A self-supporting individual, without a family, whose monthly income does not exceed IL200. If he suffers from a chronic sickness, he can earn up to IL300 and still qualify.

An elderly couple whose sole source of income is an old-age pension.

Court delays on despoiling Kinneret beach

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Knesset Member Yosef Tamir has complained to Supreme Court President Justice Agranat and Justice Minister Y.S. Shapiro that the Magistrates Court in Tiberias is "dragging its feet" in some 20 cases of theft of pebbles from the shores of Lake Kinneret for building purposes.

Mr. Tamir, who is chairman of the Knesset Ecology Committee, wrote that Court delays were in fact an encouragement to the thieves, who were causing irreparable damage to the Lake shores.

His Knesset Committee has meanwhile come in for sharp criticism from Malraz, the Public Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution, which accused it of ignoring critical, ecological issues like smog poisoning, beach pollution, siting of power stations, and noise harassment. Malraz secretary David Sivan told parliamentary correspondents at a press briefing that the Council had virtually closed down operations — save on a volunteer basis — because instead of the IL250,000 it needed per annum, it was getting only IL40,000. Of this, IL30,000 came from the Health Ministry, IL1,000 from the Transport Ministry, and IL3,000 from the Organization of Regional Councils.

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